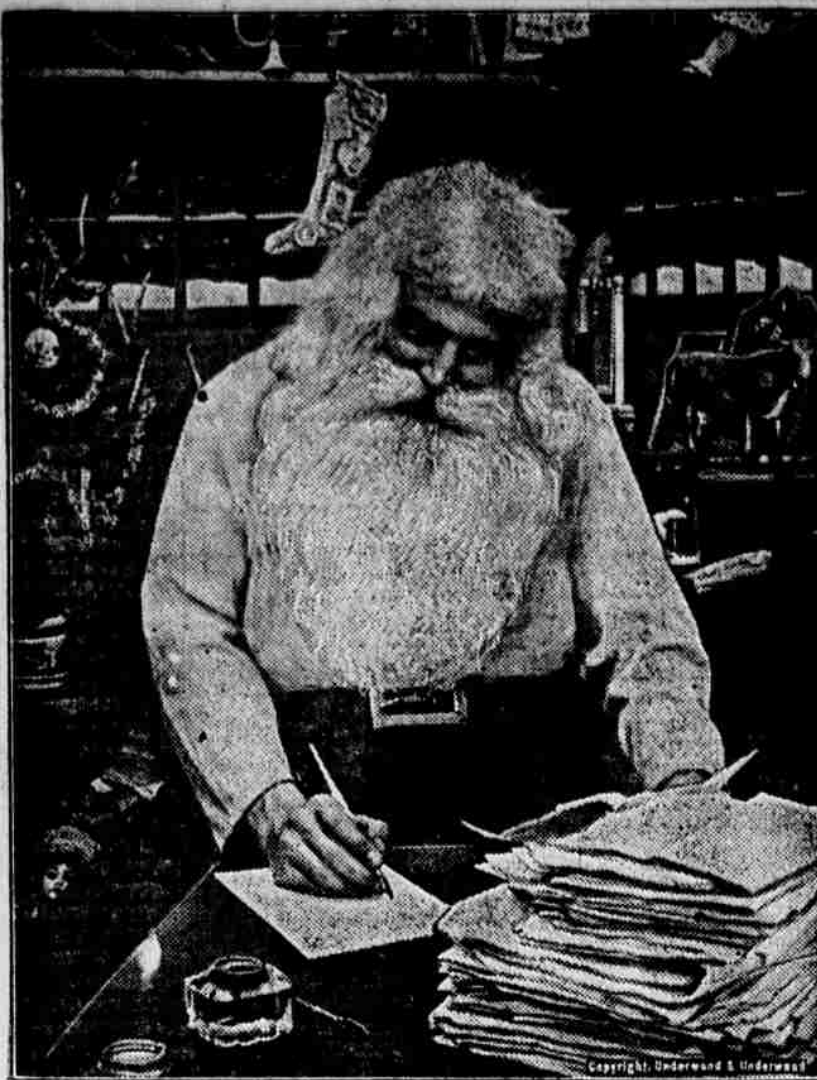


ANSWERING HIS CHRISTMAS MAIL



Santa Claus' correspondents live in practically all the countries of the world. The letters he receives—hundreds of thousands of them—are written in all languages. But Santa Claus is an international character, and whether the children who write to him express their wishes in English, in German, in French, in Scandinavian, or even in Chinese or any of the other languages of the world, he can read and understand each letter. The photographer has caught him on a busy morning just before Christmas, and in the corner of his workshop he uses for an office.

CHRISTMAS IN COLONIAL DAYS

Interesting Account of an Old-Time Celebration.

Men Wore Their Hair in Curls and Such Games as "Green Grow the Rushes, O," Furnished Amusement.



GLIMPSE of an old-fashioned celebration of the Christmas season is preserved in a diary of a guest of Maj. Gen. William Lloyd, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, who recounts the good cheer of his household in the old homestead at Westerville, N. Y. The house is standing, and is still occupied during a part of the summer by some of his descendants. In those early days of the republic the journey from New York by sleigh took ten days.

In preparation for the coming festivities, the diarist notes that the keeping room (as the main room was then called), which today would be called the parlor, or drawing room, was trimmed elaborately with spruce and cedar branches, there being no holly growing in that region. Roses made of tissue paper, in red, pink and white, were plentifully distributed through the evergreen decorations. The roses were made by two young women guests, Miss Catherine Floyd and Miss Mary Floyd, who were engaged to be married to James Madison and Thomas Jefferson, afterwards presidents of the United States. They were assisted in entertaining guests during the day by the Misses Wiggin, neighbors of the general. Among other guests, Bishop Whipple and a fellow clergyman were present, as well as the fiancé of the diarist.

The festivities began Christmas Eve, and all the family hung up their stockings in front of the huge kitchen fireplace. The illumination was that of tallow candles in silver and brass candlesticks. Miss Catherine Floyd had expected her fiancé, James Madison (as was jotted down in the diary), and was greatly disappointed at his not coming. He sent, by way of a Christmas gift, a full-length likeness of Gen. George Washington, framed, which was brought by a neighbor returning home from New York. The merrymaking was at its height Christmas Eve, all sorts of then fashionable and popular games, such as "Hunt the Slipper," "Blind Man's Buff," and "Green Grow the Rushes, O," being indulged in by the young people until 10 o'clock, at which hour sharply General Floyd closed the house.

That in keeping early hours he was not altogether arbitrary appears when we learn that the breakfast Christmas morning was at early candle light. The diary says: "It was so early, and I

House Built of Porcelain. An English inventor is building a house of sheets of porcelain, paneled and welded on a steel framework. The walls, being non-porous, would not retain dirt or disease germs. No matter how careless or dirty the previous tenant had been, a bucketful of water and some soap would make it as sweet and clean as a polished dinner plate.

Initial Handkerchiefs. Linen or silk, 25c and 50c. Latest Neck Scarfs, Mufflers, Neckwear, Shirts and Gloves at Wiesner's.

EXPERT TESTIFIES BEFORE PROBERS

TELLS MONEY TRUST INQUIRERS OF DRAWING POWER OF WALL STREET.

Washington, Dec. 18. — How Wall street gambles every day with the money of thousands of small banks in the towns "back home" and of their millions of depositors, was laid before the house money trust investigating committee.

Bid Up Money Rates. Every day of the year it was shown that there are in the big banks of New York sums varying in extent from half a billion dollars to almost a billion that is thrown into the "street" on loans for which Wall street collateral only is taken as security.

When the powers of the "street" want the money to gamble with they bid up the money rates and a stream of gold flows into their coffers. When times are more favorable these millions find their way back to the interior banks, where they can be used to finance industrial and commercial needs.

This story of the magnetic drawing powers of the money centers in New York was told to the committee by J. B. Niven, an expert accountant who made a special investigation of the subject for the committee.

Wants Speculation Restricted. Niven's figures were based on an inquiry into the amount of loans made by 32 of the largest New York banks representing the stock exchange interest.

estis, which, it is claimed, are the potent factors in encouraging speculative practices. The witness told graphically how on Nov. 1 last, when the money rate in Wall street was high, \$723,000,000 of the cash of interior banks either was loaned out to Wall street direct or was on deposit in the big banks that do a money lending business. On July 1, when the money rate was low, these banks had more than \$100,000,000 less in the "street."

If speculation in Wall street could be restricted, the witness stated, the industrial interests of the interior sections of a country would have just about \$350,000,000 more upon which to do business.

WAIT FOR GREEK'S ASSENT

Balkan Peace Plenipotentiaries Halt Proceedings Until Belligerent Ally Signs Protocol.

London, Dec. 18.—An obstacle was encountered by the plenipotentiaries of the Balkan allies and of the Ottoman empire, who are gathered here with the object of bringing about peace. The absence of Greece's signature to the armistice protocol was the cause of the hitch in the proceedings, and the delegates found it necessary to adjourn without effecting any real business. They will not meet again until late Thursday afternoon, and in the meantime will communicate with their home governments.

The Greek representatives refused to sign the protocol when invited to do so, pointing out that it would make no practical difference, as the allies were united and the decisions reached by the members of the Balkan league would be binding on Greece equally with the other members of the federation.

WILSON WARNS PANIC MAKERS

Says He Will Deal Summarily With Anyone Who Undertakes to Upset Business Interests.

New York, Dec. 18.—President-elect Wilson served flat notice to Wall street at the annual dinner of the Southern Society that he will deal summarily with any man or set of men who undertake to upset the business interests of the country by precipitating a panic.

The president-elect was talking about reports that had reached his ears that his assumption of the office of president would disturb the business of the country and cause a panic. "If any man undertakes to precipitate a panic," said Mr. Wilson, "I promise him a gibbet as high as Haman. I don't mean a literal gibbet because there would be no pain after it were applied, but I will put upon him a mark that will be felt as long as there are members of his family surviving."

Boys Find Loot. Bradford, Pa., Dec. 18.—While boys were skating on a stream near the city life they found a large quantity of sterling silverware scattered along the bank. Upon investigation, it was discovered the silverware was part of the booty taken by unknown thieves from the home of H. E. Crandall, last July. There was \$500 worth of silver.

Flynn Heads Secret Service. Washington, Dec. 18.—William J. Flynn of New York has been appointed chief of the United States secret service by Secretary MacVeagh, succeeding John E. Wilkie, now chief supervising agent of the customs service. For many years Flynn has been

Self-Cure. Regatta—Sometimes I lie awake half the night. Are you ever troubled with insomnia? Porocolum—Never. When I'm wakeful I begin to repeat to myself some of my own poems, and I fall asleep in no time.

Increase of Dope Fiends. Drug taking is greatly on the increase in London. Somebody recently introduced "hashish" into that great city, and so popular has it become that two hashish chambers are now in full swing not a hundred yards from Piccadilly.

Shawknit Hose. Make a very nice present for gentleman. One half dozen in a box. Cotton or wool, all sizes, at Wiesner's.



Christmas Presents for Men

You Will Never Miss It If You Select Something Useful for Man. Here are a few practical suggestions.

House Coats, \$5.00 up to \$20.00.
Combination Sets, 50c to \$2.00.
Leather Traveling Sets, \$1.00 to \$10.00.
Collar Bags, all colors, 50c to \$1.50.
Smoking Jackets, \$5.00 up to \$15.00.
Fur Lined Gloves, \$3.50 to \$5.00.
Kid Gloves, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00.
Mocha Silk Lined Gloves, \$1.50, \$2.00.
Silk Mufflers, 50c to \$2.50.
Silk Knit Mufflers, for full dress, \$5 and \$8.
Tie Rings, to hold neckties, 50c, \$1.00.
Handkerchief Folders, \$1.00, \$1.50.
Fancy Silk Handkerchiefs, 50c.
Silk or Lisle Hosiery, fancy, 50c.
Fancy Suspenders, 50c to \$1.50.
Initial Belts, 50c, \$1.00.
Bath Robes, \$5.00 up to \$20.

Ladies' or Gents' Umbrellas, \$1 up to \$10.
Fancy Waistcoats, \$2.00 up to \$8.00.
Fur and Seal Caps, \$2.00 to \$15.00.
Stick Pins and Cuff Buttons, 25c to \$2.00.
Leather Novelties, 25c to \$5.00.
1,000 Neckties, latest creations, for 50c.
Silk or Opera Hats, \$5.00 and \$8.00.
Traveling Bags, \$3.50 to \$15.00.
Suit Cases, \$5.00 up to \$20.00.
Dress Shirts, \$1.00, \$1.50, up to \$3.50.
Walking Sticks, 50c to \$5.00.
Play Suits for Children, 50c to \$5.00.
Silk Pajamas, \$3.50 to \$5.00.
Fur-lined Overcoats, \$25.00 to \$150.00.
Full Dress Suits, \$25.00 to \$40.00.
Silk Knit Ties, \$1.00 up to \$3.50.
Silk Supporters, 50c, \$1.00.
Black or Tan Belts, 25c to \$1.50.

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Diamond Locketts\$3.95 up
Diamond Lavalliers\$8.50 up
Diamond Brooches\$12.00 up
Bar Pins25c up
Bracelets50c up
Gold Rings\$100 up
Gold Locketts98c up
Combs98c up
Neck Chains75c up
Toilet Sets98c up
Manicuring Sets98c up
Hair Pins48c up
Bread Pins50c up
Umbrellas\$1.50 up
Leather Bags\$1.95 up
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is now in full blast and continues until Dec. 25. The large stock of The H. H. Hoffman Co. of New York, bought by us must be sold by Dec. 25. A guaranteed saving of 40 to 60 per cent on all goods bought during this sale. Come in and see the many other articles that we cannot mention. A few suggestions:

What to Get For That Boy

Boys' Pocket Knives, 25c up
Boys' Wagons89c up
Boys' Sleds25c up
Boys' Skates65c up
Boxing Gloves\$1.50 up
Punching Bags\$1.50 up
Flash Lights19c up
Air Rifles49c up
Rifles and Guns\$1.39 up
Boys' Watches69c up

A Few Suggestions For Baby

Gold Filled Rings18c up
Solid Gold Rings45c up
Gold Filled Bracelets 59c up
Bracelets48c up
Neck Chains48c up
Baby Spoons39c up
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Military Sets\$1.00 up
Tie Clips25c up
Shaving Sets50c up
Safety Razors\$1.00 up
Meersham Pipes\$2.95 up
Umbrellas\$1.00 up
Pocket Knives50c up
Shot Guns\$3.75 up
Suit Cases98c up
Traveling Bags\$1.00 up
Violins\$1.95 up
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